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Please leave Microsoft alone. I constantly sense that people are seeking revenge against Microsoft in a mistaken way. Microsoft is not a Tobacco company whose products have caused cancer. Microsoft is also not a company whom has thrived because it squeezes out competition just for the sake of market share.

Microsoft wants to give a Billion dollars worth of Computer equipment to those who need it, and whose side does the government take. Gee, not with those whom might need the computers, but with Microsoft's competitors! So where is the cancer here? Now, because its competitors aren't happy, they want to question the very decision of the court and the precepts of the decision in the Microsoft case. Come on; let's get our thinking hats on straight. What is deciding the decision of all the Microsoft issues? Is it poor competition, or poor politics? What is the cancer here? Has government killed the cancer, or is it feeding the cancer? Perhaps the government needs to take a couple of steps back and really figure out what is going on.

Why can't half the automation equipment purchased by Microsoft come from its competitors like Linux, Sun or BeOS. I can answer that! It's because it doesn't meet the need of the common user. Duh? Apple is a niche product -- or at least its in many of the schools. Gee, why can't Apple be called a monopoly? Perhaps the government needs to spur across-the-board automation industry growth in non-legal means.

I enjoy Microsoft products and they provide jobs to millions of people in the computer industry. Moreover, Microsoft leads the industry in innovation and meeting the consumer's needs. Don't disrupt a company that helps all of us in so many needs. Moreover, I ask that you don't listen to all the voices that shout Microsoft hatred!

Being a politician or someone in political office isn't always popular. I know because I work in the Federal Government. But, we are always entitled to make good decisions based upon the best available information. Good or bad, easy or hard.

Thanks!

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